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Westminster Sighting Certified As Genuine

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The unidentified flying object sighted over Westminster on Jan. 5 has been certified as a "genuine" sighting by investigators for the Center of UFO Studies.

According to UFO investigator Harold I. Heaton of Los Alamos, New Mexico, "After much investigation and reviewing of the testimony, I am inclined to view these circumstances as genuine, extremely interesting and unidentified, to date."

"After discussing the case with Dr. J. Allen Hynek, the Center for UFO Studies is considering publication of the investigation as a special report," Heaton added.

Heaton said investigators at the center were obtaining "a good description of the objects themselves" and are interested in interviewing anyone who was in the area at the time.

"Any persons who were witness to or might possess information about the identity of objects reported as UFOs near Narrows Road, Westminster, on Sunday, Jan. 5, 1975 are requested to communicate immediately with Dr. Harold I. Heaton, Center for UFO Studies, P.O. Box No. 809, Los Alamos, New Mexico, 87544. Your name will not be published."

The UFO was sighted by a Lunenburg family, consisting of a husband, wife and three children, at 7:45 p.m. that night. The UFO was described as being "as big as a boxcar" and was sighted in the vicinity of Lake Wymans and the Route 2 power lines.

The seven-year-old son described the object as a half-moon with its flat side aimed at the ground and "something under it like a top." It was dime colored and had a row of lights 10 in all, in a horizontal line across the face of the object.

None of the observers reported hearing any noise associated with the UFO. The wife described the object as being "luminous and white."

There have been many UFO sightings in the Montachusett area since October, 1973. UFOs have been reported in Leominster, Ashburnham, Harvard and in Fitchburg on Normandy Street, Daniels Street, South Street and at the Overland Reservoir.